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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is responsive to the Official Action of January 19, 2010. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-8, 10, 11

and 19 will remain in the application subsequent to entry of this Amendment.

Claim 3 has been corrected to resolve the examiner's comments on page 2, first

paragraph regarding objections to the claims.

Claims 12-18 stand rejected on the basis of prior art. In order to advance examination

these claims have been deleted without disclaimer or prejudice to a continuing application

directed to the subject matter of these claims.

This Amendment leaves only allowed claims in the application and should place the

application in condition for allowance. If this is not the case or the examiner requires further

information, please contact the undersigned.

A Notice of Allowance is awaited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any

overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith

(or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 14-

1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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